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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP CH US
SUBJ: APPOINTMENT OF CHAI TSE-MIN TO BE PRCLO CHIEF

REF: PEKING 1151

1. MFA CALLED IN USLO CHIEF APRIL 27 TO INFORM HIM THAT CHAI TSE-MIN, NOW PRC AMBASSADOR TO THAILAND, HAD BEEN NAMED TO BE CHIEF OF PRCLO. AMERICAN AND OCEANIAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR LIN PING PASSED TO USLO CHIEF SHORT BIOGRAPHIC NOTE ON AMBASSADOR CHAI AND REQUESTED USG VIEWS ON HIS APPOINTMENT. USLO CHIEF INDICATED THAT WE HAD ALREADY HEARD SOME INDICATIONS THAT CHAI MIGHT BE NAMED, WE WERE AWARE OF HIS EXCELLENT REPUTATION AND WERE SURE THAT THE USG WOULD WELCOME HIS APPOINTMENT. ALTHOUGH AMBASSADOR HAN HSU HAD BEEN A VERY CAPABLE REPRESENTATIVE, WE WERE GLAD THAT THE PRC HAD NAMED A NEW CHIEF.

2. COMMENT: LIN PING'S RATHER SUDDEN REQUEST FOR MEETING WITH USLO CHIEF MAY HAVE BEEN PRECIPITATED BY YESTERDAY'S PRESS ACCOUNTS OF CHAI'S APPOINTMENT. WE WOULD APPRECIATE AN EARLY CONFIRMATION OF OUR ACCEPTANCE OF HIS APPOINTMENT.
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